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A detailed report of Soviet activity along the Iranian border for the period 18 May to 1 June 1951 follows.

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1. Pol Dacht  
20-21 May

Westbound rail traffic, Nakhichevan to Yerevan:  
Five trains composed of 31 passenger cars,  
39 carloads of sand, one carload of soldiers,  
seven coal cars, 14 carloads of armored cars,  
three carloads of timbers, one tank car, and  
68 cars carrying doors (sic).

Eastbound rail traffic, Yerevan to Nakhichevan: Four trains composed of 30 passenger cars, five coal cars, one carload of stone, one tank car, two carloads of motors, one carload of ammunition boxes, and 81 closed cars.

night

Eastbound rail traffic, Yerevan to Nakhichevan:  
Three trains of unknown make-up.

Westbound rail traffic, Dzhusfa to Nakhichevan:  
An unstated number of trains composed of two  
cars carrying mortars, three carloads of ammuni-  
tion boxes, one car carrying an engine, three  
tank cars, and 40 closed cars.

Eastbound rail traffic, Nakhichevan to Dzhusfa:  
Two trains composed of one passenger car, three  
tank cars, and three cars loaded with tractors.

A black twin-engine fighter aircraft flew from Nakhichevan to Shah Takhti, and landed at Karaa village (not located).

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22 May

Westbound rail traffic, Nakhichevan to Yerevan.  
Three trains composed of 15 passenger cars, three tank cars, one carload of wooden posts, 60 closed cars, and 14 gondolas, among which were observed two autos, three 75 mm guns, two carloads of ammunition, and eight carloads of coal.

Eastbound rail traffic, Yerevan to Nakhichevan:  
Two trains composed of 15 passenger cars, four tank cars, one coal car, and 30 closed cars.

Westbound rail traffic, Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan:  
Two trains composed of 15 passenger cars, four tank cars, one carload of coal, one carload of tractors, three carloads of wooden posts, one car carrying an anti-aircraft machine gun, four tank cars, and 30 boxcars.

Eastbound rail traffic, Nakhichevan to Dzhulfa:  
Two trains composed of 15 passenger cars, one carload of lumber, and 27 empty cars.

23-24 May

Westbound rail traffic, Nakhichevan to Yerevan:  
Five trains composed of 30 passenger cars, 14 coal cars, three carloads of bricks, two cars carrying ten automobile engines, two carloads of sand, one carload of lime, 75 closed cars, two tank cars, six carloads of poles and lumber, and three carloads of iron.

Eastbound rail traffic, Yerevan to Nakhichevan:  
Five trains composed of 31 passenger cars, 107 closed cars, 20 tank cars, three carloads of lumber, five carloads of posts, three coal cars, one carload of ammunition cases, three cars carrying 13 guns, and three carloads of automobile engines.

Westbound rail traffic, Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan:  
Four trains composed of 16 passenger cars, one coal car, three carloads of posts, seven carloads of wheat-mills (sic), one carload of cases, 14 carloads of lumber, 12 carloads of trucks, and 86 closed cars.

Eastbound rail traffic, Nakhichevan to Dzhulfa:  
One train composed of 15 passenger cars.

25 May

Westbound rail traffic, Nakhichevan to Yerevan:  
Two trains composed of 15 passenger cars, 25 carloads of autos, three carloads of iron rods, two coal cars, one carload of sand, and 17 closed cars.

Eastbound rail traffic, Yerevan to Nakhichevan:  
Four trains composed of five carloads of poles and lumber, one carload of ammunition, sixteen tank cars, 67 closed cars, 16 passenger cars, two carloads of saddles, three carloads of stone, 19 carloads of jeeps, and seven carloads of coal.

Westbound rail traffic, Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan:  
Two trains composed of 15 passenger cars, nine coal cars, two carloads of lumber, one carload of ammunition cases, and 16 closed cars.

night

Eastbound rail traffic, Nakhichevan to Dzhulfa:  
Two trains of unknown make-up.

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Westbound rail traffic, Nakhichevan to Yerevan:  
Two trains composed of sixteen passenger cars,  
four coal cars, four tank cars, one carload of  
iron cases, and 26 closed cars.

Eastbound rail traffic, Yerevan to Nakhichevan:  
Two trains composed of two carloads of stone,  
two coal cars, 65 closed cars, and 15 passenger  
cars.

Westbound rail traffic, Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan:  
Two trains composed of 15 passenger cars, three  
coal cars, two carloads of posts, 21 cars carry-  
ing 21 trucks, and 23 closed cars.

Eastbound rail traffic, Nakhichevan to Dzhulfa:  
Two trains composed of three carloads of iron,  
two cars carrying two electric motors, five tank  
cars, and 30 closed cars.

27 May

Eastbound rail traffic, Yerevan to Nakhichevan:  
Two trains composed of 14 passenger cars, five  
carloads of ammunition boxes, four carloads of  
barbed wire, 11 tank cars, and 21 closed cars.

Westbound rail traffic, Nakhichevan to Yerevan:  
One train composed of 16 passenger cars.

Westbound rail traffic, Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan:  
An unstated number of trains composed of 12  
coal cars, eight carloads of cases, one car-  
load of wire and one truck, and 12 closed cars.

Eastbound rail traffic, Nakhichevan to Dzhulfa:  
One train composed of one passenger car, 27  
empty cars, and four closed cars; one train  
of unknown make-up.

28 May

Westbound rail traffic, Nakhichevan to Yerevan:  
Three trains composed of 16 passenger cars, six  
tank cars, one carload of autos, two carloads of  
iron rods, two carloads of lumber, and 25  
closed cars.

Eastbound rail traffic, Yerevan to Nakhichevan:  
Three trains composed of two carloads of ammuni-  
tion boxes, one coal car, two cars carrying six  
75 mm guns, six carloads of posts, 16 passenger  
cars and 32 closed cars.

Westbound rail traffic, Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan:  
Two trains composed of four cars carrying four  
autos, 28 closed cars, and 15 passenger cars.

Eastbound rail traffic, Nakhichevan to Dzhulfa:  
One train composed of eight tank cars, 17  
passenger cars, and 16 closed cars; one train  
of unknown make-up.

29 May

Westbound rail traffic, Nakhichevan to Yerevan:  
Two trains composed of 15 passenger cars, five  
carloads of lumber, one carload of ammunition  
cases, and 28 closed cars.

Eastbound rail traffic, Yerevan to Nakhichevan:  
Two trains composed of 14 passenger cars, eight  
carloads of stone, three boxcars, and 20 closed  
cars.

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Westbound rail traffic, Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan:  
One train composed of six carloads of posts,  
two carloads of lumber, three coal cars, one  
carload of autos, one carload of ammunition  
cases, seven tank cars, 20 closed cars; one train  
of unknown make-up.

Eastbound rail traffic, Nakhichevan to Dzhulfa:  
One train of unknown make-up.

30-31 May

Westbound rail traffic, Nakhichevan to Yerevan:  
Five trains composed of 15 passenger cars, 11  
tank cars, six carloads of bricks, four carloads  
of sand, six carloads of wood, four coal cars,  
one car carrying an engine, one car carrying  
ammunition, two carloads of planks and lumber and  
41 closed cars.

night

Westbound rail traffic, Nakhichevan to Yerevan:  
One train of unknown make-up.

Eastbound rail traffic, Yerevan to Nakhichevan:  
Five trains composed of 30 passenger cars, two  
carloads of armed soldiers, 20 carloads of stones,  
three cars carrying stones (sic), three cars carrying  
15 engines, one carload of sand, one carload  
of ammunition, two cars carrying autos, and 12  
closed cars.

Westbound rail traffic, Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan:  
Five trains composed of 16 passenger cars,  
14 carloads of soldiers, one carload of bricks,  
three cars carrying three trucks (each truck  
carried one gun), eight carloads of planks,  
three coal cars, four carloads of lumber, one  
tank car, and 19 closed cars.

Direction not stated: Two trains composed of 14  
passenger cars and 14 carloads of soldiers.

night

Direction not stated: Three trains of unknown  
make-up.

1 June

Westbound rail traffic, Nakhichevan to Yerevan:  
Two trains composed of ten tank cars, ten cars  
carrying wood-cutting machines, five cars carry-  
ing tractors, 82 coal cars, 27 closed cars, 15  
carloads of lumber, two cars carrying anti-  
aircraft machine guns, and one passenger car.

Eastbound rail traffic, Yerevan to Nakhichevan:  
Two trains composed of one tank car, 23 passenger  
cars, 17 closed cars, and five armed (sic) cars.

Westbound rail traffic, Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan:  
Two trains composed of 15 passenger cars with  
armed soldiers standing at the car doors, three  
carloads of planks, one coal car, two cars  
carrying tractors, 23 cars carrying armed soldiers,  
and an unstated number of cars carrying two  
autos and one jeep.

2. Dzhulfa  
20-31 May

Westbound rail traffic, Baku to Dzhulfa: One  
train of 30 cars and 14 gondolas pulled by  
two locomotives.

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Dzhulfa continued-

Westbound rail traffic, Ordubad to Dzhulfa and Nakhichevan: Two trains composed of two passenger cars, 41 boxcars, and 19 gondolas carrying 26 autos and lumber.

Eastbound rail traffic, Nakhichevan to Dzhulfa: One train composed of seven boxcars, 20 tank cars, and three gondolas.

night

Direction unstated: Five trains of unknown make-up.

21-22 May\*  
(alternate version)

Westbound rail traffic, Ordubad to Dzhulfa and Nakhichevan: Five trains composed of 145 boxcars, seven tank cars, and eight cars carrying five trucks, two jeeps, two armored cars, coal, and lumber.

Eastbound rail traffic, Nakhichevan to Dzhulfa and Ordubad: One train composed of 14 boxcars, three tank cars, and three coal cars; four passenger trains.

night

Eastbound rail traffic, Nakhichevan to Dzhulfa and Ordubad: Six trains of unknown make-up.

Westbound road traffic, Ordubad to Dzhulfa and Nakhichevan: Sixty-six trucks carrying 41 soldiers, earth, lumber, and wood.

Eastbound road traffic, Nakhichevan to Dzhulfa and Ordubad: Sixty-seven trucks carrying bricks and sand.

23-24 May

Westbound rail traffic, Ordubad to Dzhulfa and Nakhichevan: Five trains composed of 135 boxcars, and 150 gondolas carrying wood, lumber, and coal.

Eastbound rail traffic, Nakhichevan to Dzhulfa and Ordubad: Two trains composed of 67 boxcars, ten cars loaded with trucks, two carloads of wood, 21 empty cars, and two tank cars; four passenger trains of unknown make-up, two troop trains, number of cars not stated; eight other trains.

One train composed of six carloads of cement, totaling 302 tons, and four empty cars went from Soviet Dzhulfa to Iranian Dzhulfa.

Eastbound road traffic, Nakhichevan to Dzhulfa and Ordubad: Seven jeeps and 39 trucks carrying 100 armed soldiers, lumber, and stone.

Westbound road traffic, Ordubad to Dzhulfa and Nakhichevan: Three autos and 34 trucks carrying 40 unarmed soldiers, earth, bricks, and coal.

24 May

Westbound rail traffic, Ordubad to Dzhulfa and Nakhichevan: Two trains composed of 27 boxcars, one tank car, and 28 gondolas of which 21 carried trucks and seven were loaded with sand. 50X1-HUM

Eastbound rail traffic, Nakhichevan to Dzhulfa and Ordubad: Two trains composed of 14 tank cars, and 10 gondolas loaded with earth and tools; two passenger trains, number of cars not stated; five other trains of unknown make-up.

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Dzhulfa continued-

Eastbound road traffic, Nakhichevan to Dzhulfa:  
Thirty-six trucks, three autos, seven jeeps, two  
motorcycles, one medium tank; 15 soldiers.

Westbound road traffic, Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan:  
Thirty-one trucks carrying 44 soldiers.

25 May

Eastbound rail traffic, Ordubad to Dzhulfa and  
Nakhichevan: One train composed of 39 gondolas  
carrying earth, lumber, wood, coal, and wooden  
cases, and six tank cars.

Westbound rail traffic, Nakhichevan to Dzhulfa  
and Ordubad: One train composed of nine box-  
cars, three gondolas carrying coal and lumber,  
and two tank cars.

Two passenger trains traveled according to schedule  
(sic).

night

Eastbound rail traffic, Nakhichevan to Dzhulfa  
and Ordubad: Three trains of unknown make-up.

Eastbound road traffic, Nakhichevan to Dzhulfa  
and Ordubad: Twenty-nine trucks, five autos,  
and five jeeps; three of the trucks carried  
24 civilians, and the remainder of the trucks  
were covered.

Westbound road traffic, Ordubad to Dzhulfa and  
Nakhichevan: Four trucks carrying 40 civilians;  
27 covered trucks.

26 May

Eastbound rail traffic, Dzhulfa to Ordubad:  
Three trains composed of 41 boxcars and five  
gondolas loaded with stones; two passenger  
trains, number of cars unstated; three trains  
of unknown make-up.

Westbound rail traffic, Ordubad to Dzhulfa:  
Two trains composed of 23 boxcars, and 55  
gondolas loaded with coal, lumber, and stone.

29-30 May

Westbound rail traffic, Ordubad to Dzhulfa and  
Nakhichevan: Four trains composed of 15 box-  
cars, two tank cars, and 39 gondolas, of which  
six carried trucks and 33 were loaded with stone  
and coal.

Eastbound rail traffic, Nakhichevan to Dzhulfa  
and Ordubad: One train composed of two boxcars  
and four empty gondolas.

Destination unstated: Four passenger trains and  
six other trains, all of unknown make-up.

Westbound road traffic, Ordubad to Dzhulfa and  
Nakhichevan: Sixty-six trucks, two jeeps, two  
motorcycles carrying seventy-seven soldiers,  
lumber, stone, and earth; three trucks.

Eastbound road traffic, Nakhichevan to Dzhulfa  
and Ordubad: Six jeeps, two motorcycles, and  
79 trucks carrying 110 soldiers.

One truck pulling a 105 mm artillery piece went  
from Qapchi border post toward Ordubad.

One truck pulling a gun of unstated caliber went  
from Baiji (not located) to Dzhulfa.

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Dzhulfa continued-20 May  
(alternate version)

Westbound rail traffic, Ordubad to Dzhulfa and Nakhichevan: Two trains composed of 31 boxcars, two carloads of wood and lumber, and one tank car.

Eastbound rail traffic, Nakhichevan to Ordubad: Three trains composed of 14 boxcars, 12 gondolas carrying 14 autos, and five gondolas with unknown loads.

Direction unstated: Two passenger trains, number of cars unstated.

night

Direction unstated: Two trains of unknown make-up.

Westbound road traffic, Ordubad to Dzhulfa and Nakhichevan: Fifty-nine trucks carrying 22 unarmed soldiers and one field piece.

Eastbound road traffic, Nakhichevan to Dzhulfa: Fifty trucks carrying 70 armed soldiers.

Fifty-three officers and 29 soldiers were observed digging trenches opposite the Ahmedabad post.

31 May night

Searchlights east of Dzhulfa were played on the railway bridge at Dzhulfa.

1 June

Westbound rail traffic, Ordubad to Dzhulfa and Nakhichevan: Four trains composed of 81 boxcars, 15 tank cars, 51 gondolas, 15 carloads of autos, and two carloads of barrels.

Eastbound rail traffic, Nakhichevan to Dzhulfa and Ordubad: One train composed of 19 boxcars and 30 carloads of stone.

Two passenger trains moved according to schedule, but the schedule times, number of cars, and direction of travel were unstated.

night

Direction unstated: Six trains of unknown make-up.

Eastbound road traffic, Dzhulfa to Ordubad: Two armored cars carrying ten soldiers.

Eastbound road traffic, Nakhichevan to Dzhulfa: Sixty trucks carrying 56 soldiers and ten women.

Westbound road traffic, Ordubad to Dzhulfa and Nakhichevan: Fifty trucks carrying 20 soldiers and ten women.

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20-21 May

Westbound rail traffic, Baku to Dzhulfa: Five trains composed of 28 passenger cars, 84 covered cars, four tank cars, and 49 gondolas.

Eastbound rail traffic, Dzhulfa to Baku: Five trains composed of 28 passenger cars, 79 covered cars, twelve tank cars, and 15 gondolas loaded with bricks and stone.

22-24 May

Westbound rail traffic, Baku to Dzhulfa: Five trains composed of 28 passenger cars, 49 covered cars, 49 gondolas carrying ten trucks, 21 motors, lumber, and coal, and four tank cars.

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and continued-

Eastbound rail traffic, Dzhulfa to Baku:  
Four trains composed of 28 passenger cars, 77 covered cars, three tank cars, and six gondolas.

25 May

Westbound rail traffic, Baku to Dzhulfa:  
Three trains composed of 14 passenger cars, 25 boxcars, seven tank cars, and 13 gondolas loaded with lumber and wooden poles.

Eastbound rail traffic, Dzhulfa to Baku:  
Two trains composed of 15 passenger cars, 23 boxcars, one tank car, and five gondolas loaded with tins.

26 May

Westbound rail traffic, Baku to Dzhulfa: Two trains composed of 14 passenger cars, eight covered cars, one tank car, 21 gondolas loaded with trucks, and four gondolas loaded with coal.

Eastbound rail traffic, Dzhulfa to Baku: Two trains composed of 14 passenger cars, 37 covered cars, eight tank cars, and six gondolas.

27 May

Westbound rail traffic, Baku to Dzhulfa: Three trains composed of 15 passenger cars, 23 covered cars, three tank cars, and 52 gondolas loaded with two trucks, coal, lumber, iron pipes.

Eastbound rail traffic, Dzhulfa to Baku: Two trains composed of 15 passenger cars, 36 covered cars, and 13 gondolas loaded with gravel.

Soviet soldiers conducted rifle and machine gun firing practice at the border post of Ordubad.

28 May

Westbound rail traffic, Baku to Dzhulfa: Three trains composed of 15 passenger cars, 36 covered cars, seven tank cars, and 26 gondolas carrying three trucks, lumber, and coal.

Eastbound rail traffic, Dzhulfa to Baku: Three trains composed of 24 covered cars, four gondolas, and one tank car.

Soviet soldiers conducted rifle and machine gun firing practice at the border post of Ordubad.

29 May

Westbound rail traffic, Baku to Dzhulfa: Three trains composed of 14 passenger cars, 28 covered cars, four cars carrying trucks, four carloads of motors, eight carloads of water pipes, two tank cars, and 13 carloads of earth, coal, and gravel.

Eastbound rail traffic, Dzhulfa to Baku: One train composed of 14 passenger cars.

30-31 May

Westbound rail traffic, Baku to Dzhulfa: Nine trains composed of 27 passenger cars, 76 boxcars, ten tank cars, and 100 gondolas among which were observed 14 autos.

Eastbound rail traffic, Dzhulfa to Baku: Three trains composed of 28 passenger cars, 17 boxcars and 43 gondolas.

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June

Westbound rail traffic, Baku to Dzhulfa: Four trains composed of 24 covered cars, 14 passenger cars, 35 tank cars, and 24 gondolas loaded with one auto, four trucks, and lumber.

Eastbound rail traffic, Dzhulfa to Baku: One train composed of 14 passenger cars.

4. Khata Afarin  
20-22 May

Westbound rail traffic, Baku to Dzhulfa: Five trains composed of 125 boxcars, 15 tank cars, and 64 gondolas carrying trucks, barrels, and coal.

Eastbound rail traffic, Dzhulfa to Baku: Six trains composed of 45 passenger cars, 98 boxcars, 16 tank cars, and 37 gondolas.

23-24 May

Eastbound rail traffic, Dzhulfa to Baku: Four trains composed of 28 passenger cars, 44 boxcars, 12 gondolas, and six tank cars.

Westbound rail traffic, Baku to Dzhulfa: Four trains composed of 95 boxcars, 38 gondolas loaded with seven trucks, two armored cars; 12 of the gondolas were loaded with wood and iron rods; 15 tank cars; one locomotive.

On 23 May, all of the inhabitants of the border villages adjacent to the Araxes River moved from their winter residences to summer residences located on the southeastern elevations of Aleybar (not located). The livestock accompanied the villagers on the move.

25 May

Eastbound rail traffic, Dzhulfa to Baku: Two trains composed of 12 boxcars, four tank cars, 24 empty gondolas, one carload of stone, and 14 passenger cars.

Westbound rail traffic, Baku to Dzhulfa: Two trains composed of 25 boxcars, and 42 gondolas loaded with wood, poles, tools, and coal.

26 May

Eastbound rail traffic, Dzhulfa to Baku: Two trains composed of ten boxcars, 13 empty gondolas, one tank car, and 14 passenger cars.

Westbound rail traffic, Baku to Dzhulfa: One train composed of 16 boxcars, four tank cars, and 21 gondolas carrying wood, iron rods, and sand.

27 May

Eastbound rail traffic, Dzhulfa to Baku: Three trains composed of 32 roofed cars, ten passenger cars, nine tank cars, eleven gondolas, one carload of insecticide, and ten empty cars.

Westbound rail traffic, Baku to Dzhulfa: One train composed of 17 boxcars, one tank car, 24 gondolas loaded with desks and chairs, two gondolas loaded with machinery, paving equipment, and instruments, three carloads of cases, and one carload of wooden poles.

28 May

Westbound rail traffic, Baku to Dzhulfa: Two trains composed of 13 tank cars, 42 gondolas loaded with coal and wood, six carloads of wooden poles, four empty cars, and one carload of equipment (type of equipment not stated).

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Khuda Afarin continued-

29 May

Eastbound rail traffic, Dzhulfa to Baku:  
One train composed of 14 passenger cars

Eastbound rail traffic, Dzhulfa to Baku:  
Three trains composed of 25 empty gondolas,  
22 boxcars, three tank cars, 25 gondolas  
carrying machines, lumber, and miscellaneous  
loads, and 14 passenger cars

Westbound rail traffic, Baku to Dzhulfa:  
One train composed of an unstated number  
of cars carrying 21 jeeps, 11 medium sized  
armored cars, 14 fuel tanks, and six trucks.

30-31 May

Eastbound rail traffic, Dzhulfa to Baku:  
Five trains composed of nineteen passenger  
cars, 24 boxcars, and 21 gondolas loaded  
with iron cases.

Westbound rail traffic, Baku to Dzhulfa:  
Three trains composed of 12 boxcars, 26  
gondolas, 13 tank cars, two cars carrying  
100 workers, one carload of work equipment  
(sic), two ambulances, six cars loaded  
with motor-boats, one carload of autos, and  
one gondola.

1 June

Eastbound rail traffic, Dzhulfa to Baku:  
Three trains composed of 16 boxcars, fourteen  
passenger cars, 11 tank cars, 14 empty gondolas,  
four gondolas loaded with boxes, three gondolas  
loaded with shoes, and 30 gondolas loaded with  
automobile accessories.

Westbound rail traffic, Baku to Dzhulfa: One  
train composed of 13 boxcars, three empty  
gondolas, and five gondolas loaded with stone  
and sand.

One locomotive moving from Khomarlu (not located)  
toward Sia had stopped opposite Khuda Afarin  
for one half hour and played its searchlight on  
the Zambalan heights. It then continued its  
journey.

5- Garbi  
26 May

As of this date, foot patrolling in the area was  
changed to mounted patrolling.

Twelve soldiers on horseback and one woman in-  
spected the border.

Four truckloads of soldiers arrived at the Garbi  
border post and, augmenting the garrison stationed  
there, dug trenches. The newly arrived soldiers,  
along with four officers, bivouacked in tents  
within 300 meters of the border post.

Personnel strength has been increased at the  
posts in this area, and an increase in traffic  
has been remarked.

28 May

About 150 men were engaged in road repair of  
the road running between Biddizu (not located)  
border post and Anchara (not located).

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Thirty men on foot and 30 men on horseback left  
the Biddizu border post and disappeared behind the  
elevations of Warajedagh (not located) border post.

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Garm, continued-

30 May

The road being built between Dizdaru (not located) and Avra (not located) has now reached a point opposite the villages of Umaschan (not located) and Lajieh (not located).

The Soviets have established secret posts between Moradlu (not located) and Hadi Beglu (not located).

Opposite Moradlu, the Soviets repaired and laid barbed wire.

Soviet civilians have been observed recently visiting Soviet posts in the Garm area. More covered trucks and carts have been observed than previously. Day and night patrolling has been stepped up in the region and the border posts have been strengthened. Additional concrete shelters have been built by the Soviets in the area.

Observations indicate that a state of anxiety persists among Soviet units stationed along the frontier in this area.

Soviet troops conducted machine gun firing practice.

Namag  
24-26 May

Soviet patrol activity during the day was purely routine, but at night the patrolling was increased.

One jeep carrying four officers moved from Leji (not located) to Kalaputi (38-48N, 48-25E) during one of the above days.

One jeep carrying three soldiers and an officer moved from Omstonok (not located) to Kalaputi and Leji.

Four trucks, contents unknown, moved from Kizilissa (38-33N, 48-30E) to Kalaputi.

Two jeeps and one truck moved from Kaluz (not located) to Gaduk (38-35N, 48-20E).

Astara  
19-20 May

Southbound road traffic, Lenkoran to Astara: Two jeeps, one auto, and 17 covered trucks among which were observed one officer, five soldiers, and five civilians; one truck full of soldiers; two armed soldiers on foot and two soldiers on horseback.

Northbound road traffic, Astara to Lenkoran: Six trucks; one group of armed soldiers.

Westbound road traffic, Astara to Masjed Mahalleh: Four trucks carrying four officers, one soldier, and telegraph poles; six sergeants and cavalry soldiers (sic); four armed soldiers riding bicycles.

Eastbound road traffic, Masjed Mahalleh to Astara: One cart carrying three officers, one sergeant, and hay.

Westbound road traffic, Masjed Mahalleh to the last post west: One jeep, three trucks, and one cart carrying three officers, six sergeants, two armed soldiers, 11 civilians, and wood; one truck-load of civilians.

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Astara continued-

Eastbound road traffic, the last post west to Masjed Mahalleh: Seven trucks carrying four soldiers, seven sergeants, three civilians, and telegraph poles.

Thirty-four red rockets and an unstated number of white rockets were fired at Sadr Mahalleh (not located), along the coast, and at Janbar Mahalleh (not located). During the night searchlight activity was intermittent.

21-22 May

Southbound road traffic, Lenkoran to Astara: One jeep, two autos, 16 covered trucks, one ambulance; two groups of armed soldiers on foot.

Northbound road traffic, Astara to Lenkoran: Three trucks; two groups of soldiers on foot.

Westbound road traffic, Astara to Masjed Mahalleh: One jeep, one motorcycle, five trucks with four officers, one sergeant, wood, telegraph poles, and miscellaneous items; one truckload of civilian laborers of both sexes; one officer, three sergeants, and one soldier on horseback; one sergeant riding a bicycle.

Eastbound road traffic, Masjed Mahalleh to Astara: Four jeeps, three trucks, and one cart carrying eight officers, three sergeants, four soldiers, and three civilians.

Westbound road traffic, Masjed Mahalleh to the last post west: Six trucks and two carts carrying one officer, six armed soldiers, telegraph poles, and other unstated items; three trucks carrying civilians.

Eastbound road traffic, the last post west to Masjed Mahalleh: Three jeeps, one auto, four trucks, and one cart carrying three officers, two sergeants, 11 armed soldiers, and two civilians.

Six white rockets were fired at Astara. Six rockets were fired at Bagchen Sarch and Masjed Mahalleh. Searchlights were on during the night at Astara.

23 May

Southbound road traffic, Lenkoran to Astara: One car, one ambulance, 14 trucks; one group of armed soldiers on foot.

Northbound road traffic, Astara to Lenkoran: One truck, unknown load.

Westbound road traffic, Astara to Masjed Mahalleh: Two trucks carrying one officer, one sergeant, four unarmed soldiers, and wood; one sergeant and 11 soldiers, carrying shovels and picks, on foot.

Eastbound road traffic, Masjed Mahalleh to Astara: Two truckloads of wood.

Westbound road traffic, Masjed Mahalleh to the last post west: Three trucks; one cart carrying six unarmed soldiers, one sergeant, two civilians, sand, and telegraph poles (six); three armed sergeants on horseback.

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Eastbound road traffic, the last post west to Masjed Mahalleh: One jeep, one motorcycle, and two trucks carrying three officers, one soldier, two civilians, and wood.

Two white rockets were fired at Qapchi Mahalleh and Bagchen Sareh.

Four red rockets were fired at Kenyar Darya (not located) and Haidar Mahalleh.

Searchlights were turned on twelve times during the night.

24-25 May

Southbound road traffic, Lenkoran to Astara: Two autos and two jeeps carrying four soldiers; 17 covered trucks; three groups of armed soldiers on foot; one truckload of armed soldiers.

Northbound road traffic, Astara to Lenkoran: Two covered trucks; two groups of armed soldiers on foot.

Westbound road traffic, Astara to Masjed Mahalleh: Three jeeps and three carts carrying five officers, four sergeants, four armed soldiers, wood, barbed wire, and three barrels; three trucks; two sergeants and one soldier riding bicycles; one armed sergeant on horseback.

Eastbound road traffic, Masjed Mahalleh to Astara: Four trucks.

Westbound road traffic, Masjed Mahalleh to the last post west: Two jeeps, one ambulance, and one cart carrying six officers and two armed soldiers; two armed soldiers on bicycles.

Eastbound road traffic, the last post west to Masjed Mahalleh: Five trucks carrying two armed sergeants, four civilians, and two children.

Six red rockets and seven white rockets were fired at Haidar Mahalleh, Kenyar Darya, and Qanbar Mahalleh.

Searchlights were in continuous action during the night.

Six Soviet soldiers dug trenches at Bagchen Sareh.

26 May

Southbound road traffic, Lenkoran to Astara: One auto and 11 covered trucks.

Northbound road traffic, Astara to Lenkoran: One truck and one cart.

Westbound road traffic, Astara to Masjed Mahalleh: Six trucks carrying two sergeants, four armed soldiers, wood, barbed wire, and sheep; one officer and one sergeant on horseback.

Eastbound road traffic, Masjed Mahalleh to Astara: One truck carrying one sergeant, one armed soldier, and wood.

Westbound road traffic, Masjed Mahalleh to the last post west: Three trucks and one cart carrying two soldiers and six civilians; one truckload of armed soldiers.

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Astara continued-

Eastbound road traffic, the last post west to Masjed Mahalleh: One jeep and four trucks carrying three officers, one armed soldier and five civilians; two armed sergeants on horseback.

Two officers, each riding in a jeep, made a survey of confiscated land (sic) at Wapchi Mahalleh and Bagchen Sareh.

Two red rockets were fired at the Khoshkeh Dahaneh border post and one green rocket was fired at the Bagchen Sareh school.

A searchlight was installed at Zardali (not located) border post.

Three red rockets and five white rockets were fired at Haider Mahalleh and Kenyar Darya.

Searchlights were turned on 12 times during the night and were directed over the sea and at the town of Astara.

27 May

Southbound road traffic, Lenkoran to Astara: One car and 13 trucks carrying several soldiers, drugs, and other unstated items; one group of armed soldiers on foot.

Northbound road traffic, Astara to Lenkoran: One truck.

Westbound road traffic, Astara to Masjed Mahalleh: One sergeant riding a motorcycle; one truckload of barbed wire.

Westbound road traffic, Masjed Mahalleh to the last post west: One truckload of telegraph poles; one truck carrying an unstated number of soldiers and sergeants.

Eastbound road traffic, the last post west to Masjed Mahalleh: Two autos and one jeep carrying three officers.

Two officers and two sergeants conducted observations of the Bagchen Sareh area from the watchtower of Wapchi Mahalleh.

Four white rockets were fired at Qunbar Mahalleh and Haider Mahalleh.

Searchlights were turned on 15 times in the area during the night.

28 May

Southbound road traffic, Lenkoran to Astara: Eleven covered trucks; one group of armed soldiers on foot; one auto carrying several soldiers.

Northbound road traffic, Astara to Lenkoran: Two covered trucks; two groups of armed soldiers.

Westbound road traffic, Astara to Masjed Mahalleh: One empty truck; one officer and one sergeant on a motorcycle; two soldiers on horseback.

Eastbound road traffic, Masjed Mahalleh to Astara: One auto carrying three officers; one cart carrying miscellaneous items.

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Astara continued.

Westbound road traffic, Masjed Mahalleh to the last post west; One auto carrying three officers; two carts full of civilians.

Eastbound road traffic, the last post west to Masjed Mahalleh. One auto carrying four officers.

Two white rockets were fired in front of Bagchen Sareh and Qapchi Mahalleh.

Five rockets were fired at Haidar Mahalleh and Kenyar Darya border posts.

Searchlights were turned on 11 times during the night.

29 May

Southbound road traffic, Lenkoran to Astara: One auto; eleven covered trucks; two armed soldiers on horseback; one group of armed soldiers on foot.

Northbound road traffic, Astara to Lenkoran: Three covered trucks; one group of armed soldiers on foot.

Westbound road traffic, Astara to Masjed Mahalleh: One jeep and one ambulance carrying five officers and one sergeant; one truckload of barbed wire; three sergeants, two armed soldiers, and one officer riding bicycles.

Eastbound road traffic, Masjed Mahalleh to Astara: One truck carrying six unarmed soldiers; two sergeants on bicycles; one sergeant on horseback.

Westbound road traffic, Masjed Mahalleh to the last post west; One jeep, one truck, and one cart carrying five armed soldiers, seven civilians, and wood; two carts full of civilians; two sergeants on horseback; one sergeant on a bicycle.

Eastbound road traffic, the last post west to Masjed Mahalleh: One ambulance and three trucks carrying two sergeants, four women, and unidentified loads.

1030 hours

One red rocket was fired in front of the Qhaleh (not located) border post, and one green rocket was fired in front of the school at Bagchen Sareh.

Four white rockets were fired at Kenyar Darya and Haidar Mahalleh border posts.

Searchlights were turned on in the area nine times during the night.

Near the border post opposite Hairan (38-25N, 48-36E) (the last post west), behind the heights of Dinkuh, the Soviets have put up four large tents where about 90 soldiers and officers are bivouacked.

30 May

Southbound road traffic, Lenkoran to Astara: One ambulance and 18 covered trucks.

Northbound road traffic, Astara to Lenkoran: One auto; three trucks; two groups of armed soldiers on foot.

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Astara continued-

Westbound road traffic, Astara to Masjed Mahalleh: One jeep and one truck carrying three officers; one jeep; one truck and one cart carrying two officers, two sergeants, two soldiers, wood, and ten boxes; one truck full of civilians.

Westbound road traffic, Masjed Mahalleh to the last post west: Four jeeps and one motorcycle carrying eight officers, five civilians, and one unarmed soldier.

Eastbound road traffic, the last post west to Masjed Mahalleh: One truck full of civilians.

Ten white and two red rockets were fired at Kenyar Darya.

Searchlights were turned on in the area six times during the night.

Ten artillery salvos were fired during the day and 21 artillery salvos were fired during the night at Astara.

31 May

Southbound road traffic, Lenkoran to Astara: One ambulance, one auto, and ten covered trucks; two officers and ten armed soldiers.

Northbound road traffic, Astara to Lenkoran: Six covered trucks.

Westbound road traffic, Astara to Masjed Mahalleh: One jeep, one auto, and one truck carrying six officers, three soldiers, and two iron barrels.

Eastbound road traffic, Masjed Mahalleh to Astara: One motorcycle and one truck carrying two officers and one sergeant; three soldiers and one officer riding bicycles.

Westbound road traffic, Masjed Mahalleh to the last post west: One ambulance, one jeep, and one cart carrying three officers and four armed soldiers; four truckloads of male and female civilians; one cart full of armed soldiers.

Eastbound road traffic, the last post west to Masjed Mahalleh: One jeep, one auto, and one truck carrying four officers, four armed soldiers, two sergeants, and two civilians.

Eleven white rockets were fired at Haidar Mahalleh and from the road leading to Lenkoran.

Searchlights were turned on in the area four times during the night.

One officer and eleven soldiers went from Kenyar Darya to the border where they observed the area through field glasses.

8. Pahlevi  
18 May

The Soviet vessel Port Pahlevi arrived from Baku without cargo or passengers.

The Soviet vessel Dunai\*\*, capacity 600 tons, arrived with a cargo of 530 tons of cement.

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Pahlevi continued-

The Soviet vessel Irtys arrived at Pahlevi with 530 tons of fabrics, sugar, and iron rods.

20 May

The Soviet vessel Gabardin left for the USSR with a load of 440 tons of rice on board.

The Soviet vessel Irtys left for the USSR with a cargo of 554 tons of rice and dates.

23 May

The Soviet vessel Port Pahlevi sailed for the USSR at 0800 hours with a cargo of 185 tons of fish and caviar.

25 May

The Soviet vessel Dunai\*\* arrived in Pahlevi at 0700 hours with a cargo of 504 tons of sugar.

The Soviet vessel Gabardin arrived at 0530 hours with a cargo of 398 tons of sugar and anti-locust insecticides.

The Dunai sailed from Pahlevi to Nau Shahr (36-40N, 51-31E) at 1100 hours.

31 May

The Dunai\*\* arrived at 1100 hours with 520 tons of sugar.

9. Atrak  
21 May

At 1000 hours about 500 Soviet cavalry soldiers began military maneuvers in front of the Sari Aslan (not located) and Sari Khani (not located) border posts. From 2000 to 2100 hours these troops used firearms during the maneuver.

25 May 1600 hours

A Soviet reconnaissance aircraft crashed between the Jat border post (not located) and the Sumar River. Two Soviet aircraft landed near the site of the crash to remove the dead crew members of the plane. [ ] 50X1-HUM

30 May

About 60 members of the Baiat Haji (37-37N, 54-48E) garrison engaged in small-arms firing practice.

30-31 May

On these nights a large-scale maneuver lasting six hours was held by Soviet army units along the border.

Soviet reconnaissance aircraft made flights along the border and visited several frontier posts

On 31 May Soviet mounted patrols visited the paths of Shurdkush, Yagholiulum, Payeraulum and Nurshekli (all of these are unlocated)

10. Ashkhabad  
18-21 May

Westbound rail traffic, Kaakha to Ashkhabad: Nine trains composed of 128 passenger cars, 204 tank cars, two ammunition cars, two carloads of iron, and 49 covered cars.

Eastbound rail traffic, Ashkhabad to Kaakha: Sixteen trains composed of 24 passenger cars, 162 tank cars, seven carloads of iron, and 203 covered cars.

night

East and westbound rail traffic between Kaakha and Ashkhabad: Seventeen trains of unknown make-up.

Fifteen locomotives of the trains observed were diesel types.

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Lurabai continued-

22-24 May

Westbound rail traffic, Kaakha to Ashkhabad: Sixteen trains composed of 153 closed cars, one car carrying an artillery piece, four carloads of jeeps, and 74 cars with unknown loads.

Eastbound rail traffic, Ashkhabad to Kaakha: Fifteen trains composed of 34 passenger cars, 234 tank cars, 80 carloads of iron, 134 covered cars, and two cars, each carrying one artillery piece.

night

East and westbound rail traffic between Kaakha and Ashkhabad: Fifteen trains of unknown make-up.

Thirty-one locomotives of the trains observed were diesel types.

25-27 May

Westbound rail traffic, Kaakha to Ashkhabad: Eight trains composed of 17 passenger cars, 17 tank cars, 18 carloads of iron, and 67 covered cars.

Eastbound rail traffic, Ashkhabad to Kaakha: Twelve trains composed of seven passenger cars, 80 tank cars, ten carloads of iron, and 169 covered cars.

night

East and westbound rail traffic between Kaakha and Ashkhabad: Eleven trains of unknown make-up.

Seventeen of the locomotives observed were diesel types.

28-29 May

Westbound rail traffic, Kaakha to Ashkhabad: Twelve trains composed of 33 passenger cars, 89 tank cars, seven carloads of iron, four carloads of wood, 124 boxcars, and 12 cars loaded with 12 jeeps.

Eastbound rail traffic, Ashkhabad to Kaakha: Seven trains composed of 16 passenger cars, 70 tank cars, 11 carloads of iron, 16 carloads of wood, and 121 boxcars.

night

East and westbound rail traffic between Kaakha and Ashkhabad: Twelve trains of unknown make-up.

Sixteen of the locomotives observed were diesel types, and the remainder were coal-burning types.

29-30 May

Westbound rail traffic, Kaakha to Ashkhabad: Twelve trains composed of 24 passenger cars, 148 tank cars, 13 carloads of iron, 15 carloads of wood, 165 boxcars, and two cars carrying two jeeps.

Eastbound rail traffic, Ashkhabad to Kaakha: Five trains composed of 16 passenger cars, 101 tank cars, one car carrying two tractors, 14 carloads of iron, five carloads of wood, and 30 boxcars.

night

East and westbound rail traffic between Kaakha and Ashkhabad: Ten trains of unknown make-up.

Fifteen of the locomotives observed were diesel types.

31. Sarakhs

1 June

2000-2100 hours

The Soviet garrison engaged in firing practice with machine guns and tanks.

Comment: The last post west of Masjed Mahalleh is located approximately at 32-25N, 66-36E, opposite Iranian Haidran.

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Comment: The name of this ship has been received variously as Dunai, Dunya, and Dorai. It has been accepted as being Dunai.

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